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The Fairmount Park Art Association is a society of gentlemen and ladies who propose to collect a sufficient sum of money, and apply the same in embellishing that beautiful spot with Statues, Busts, Fountains, and similar ornaments; such as good taste shall dictate and the Commissioners of the Park shall sanction.

This pamphlet contains a full explanation of the means by which that end is to be accomplished, together with a list of those who now form the Association; and it is issued for the information of the public, so that those who are animated by a love of the beautiful in Nature and in Art, and have a sense of pride in this great ornament of our city, can unite as members and contribute for this laudable purpose.

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Fairmount Park Art Association.

Since it is desirable to increase the appreciation and love of art in our midst; to add to the number of its votaries, promote the refinements of life consequent thereon, and encourage artists in the practice of their profession; and

Since it is commendable to erect statues, busts, and other works of art to the honor and memory of eminent persons and their deeds, in order that their good example and influence may be more permanently exerted in fostering a spirit of emulation and ambition in our people;

And whereas, These results may be better secured, and the good effects thereof more generally obtained, by the accumulation of objects of art in one inclosure visited by the greatest number of people;

And whereas, It is desirable to enhance the beauties and attractions of the Park by a means in which all may gladly participate;

Therefore, We, whose names are affixed to the following

Constitution, have formed ourselves into a society to be styled the

FAIRMOUNT PARK ART ASSOCIATION,

which society shall have for its object the accumulation of a fund, by means of annual contributions of small fixed sums of money by the members thereof, and by legacies, donations, etc.; which fund shall be devoted to and employed in adorning Fairmount Park with works of art, either of a memorial nature or otherwise.

In consideration of the objects above set forth, we, whose names are subscribed to the following Constitution, agree to fulfill with honor and good faith the duties imposed in the said Constitution, and the By-Laws which have been adopted for the rule and government of the said FAIRMOUNT PARK ART ASSOCIATION.

CONSTITUTION

OF

Fairmount Park Art Association.

SECTION 1. The name, style, or title of this Association shall be FAIRMOUNT PARK ART ASSOCIATION.

The objects of the Association shall be the accumulation of a fund, by means of annual contributions of small fixed sums of money by the members thereof, and by legacies, donations, etc., which fund, or the interest thereon, shall be devoted to and expended in adorning Fairmount Park, in the City of Philadelphia, with statues, busts, and other works of art, either of a memorial nature or otherwise.

The articles and conditions of this Association shall be such as are set forth in the seven following sections, to wit:

SECTION 2. The affairs of this Association shall be conducted by a Board of Fifteen Trustees, who shall be members of the Association, and shall be elected in the follow-

ing manner, that is to say: fifteen trustees shall be elected by ballot at a general meeting of the members of the Association, to be held on the second Tuesday of October next ensuing the date of the approval of this Charter. Immediately after their election, they shall divide themselves into three separate classes of five trustees each, and shall determine by lot which shall be the first class, which the second class, and which the third class. The trustees of the first class shall continue in office for one year from the date of their election; the trustees of the second class shall continue in office for two years from the date of their election; and the trustees of the third class shall continue in office for three years from the date of their election. And every trustee shall continue in office until his successor shall be duly elected and installed. At each subsequent annual meeting of the members of the Association, five trustees shall be elected by ballot, and shall continue in office for the term of three years. The Board of Trustees shall have power to fill vacancies in its own membership, by temporary appointments, until the annual meeting of the Association next following the date of such temporary appointments, when all vacancies shall be filled by election by ballot of the members of the Association. The annual meetings of the Association shall be held on the second Tuesday of October in each and every year.

SECTION 3. The members elected as a Board of Trustees shall meet on the first Monday after their election, and organize their board, by electing by ballot a President, a Vice-President, one Treasurer, and one Secretary, and such additional Vice-Presidents and Secretaries as from time to time they shall deem necessary.

SECTION 4. The Board of Trustees shall have control of all the accounts, moneys, and property of the Association, and may appropriate the funds thereof in such manner as may appear to them most conducive to the interests and objects of the Association. They shall have full power to make such By-Laws as may be deemed necessary to effect the objects of this Association: *Provided*, such By-Laws shall not be repugnant to, nor inconsistent with, the Constitution and laws of Pennsylvania or of the United States of America.

SECTION 5. Every member shall pay annually to the Association five dollars, or such a less sum of money as shall be fixed by the Board of Trustees. No member shall be eligible to any office, or shall be entitled to vote at any election for officers, who shall be indebted to the Association for his annual contribution, or any part thereof.

SECTION 6. The Treasurer shall hold his office during the pleasure of the Board of Trustees, and the books, papers, moneys, and accounts in his possession, shall be

at all times subject to their inspection and control. He shall give security to the Board of Trustees, to be approved by them, for the faithful application of all moneys of the Association that may come into his hands.

SECTION 7. At every annual meeting of this Association the Board of Trustees shall make a full report of the condition and affairs of the Association, and of all their proceedings during the year last preceding the date of such annual meeting.

SECTION 8. The present Board of Trustees shall continue in office until their successors shall be duly elected and organized, as is hereinbefore provided for.

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